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1. THE EMBASSY APPRECIATES THE DEPARTMENT'S RESPONSE (REFTEL A) CONCERNING THE POLISH OCEANOGRAPHIC RESEARCH PROGRAM. AS INDICATED IN REFTEL B, ON DECEMBER 10 THE SCIENCE COUNSELOR SENT A COPY OF HIS LETTER ADDRESSED TO DR. RAKUSA-SUSZCZEWSKI (ESSENTIALLY THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN PARAS 4 AND 5 REFTEL C, MINUS ANY MENTION OF CHILEAN PARTICIPATION) TO DR. ANDRZEJ GROMEK, DIRECTOR ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, POLISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, WITH A COVER NOTE EXPRESSING CONCERN THAT THE EMBASSY HAD NOT BEEN ABLE TO CONTACT DR. RAKUSA-SUSZCZEWSKI TO DATE. IN RESPONSE, THE POLISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES ON DECEMBER 15 INFORMED THE EMBASSY THAT AN APPOINTMENT WITH DR. RAKUSA-SUSZCZEWSKI AND DR. ADAM URBANEK, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, SCIENCE II (BIOLOGY) OF THE POLISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, HAS BEEN SET FOR 4:00 P.M. ON DECEMBER 19.

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2. GIVEN THE PRESENT SITUATION, THE EMBASSY BELIEVES IT IS

IMPOLITIC TO CANCEL THE DECEMBER 19 MEETING WITH DR.
RAKUSA-SUSZCZEWSKI AND DR. URBANEK. IN THE LIGHT OF THE
BACKGROUND PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT, THE EMBASSY NOW BELIEVES
THAT THE DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED IN CONTACTING DR. RAKUSA-
SUSZCZEWSKI WERE DUE TO BUREAUCRATIC NERVOUSNESS RATHER THAN
A DISINCLINATION TO FURTHER OCEANOGRAPHIC RESEARCH COOPERATION,
AN AREA IN WHICH WE HAVE TRADITIONALLY ENJOYED CLOSE RELATIONS
WITH THE POLES. WE THEREFORE SUGGEST THAT THE DECEMBER 19
MEETING TAKE PLACE AS SCHEDULED. THE SCIENCE
COUNSELOR WILL REPEAT A LOW-KEY REQUEST FOR COORDINATION OF
POLISH AND U.S. RESEARCH ACTIVITIES IN THE SOUTHERN OCEAN.
IF ASKED, THE SCIENCE COUNSELOR WILL STATE HE HAS NO INFORMA-
TION AS TO THE SOURCE OF OUR KNOWLEDGE CONCERNING THE POLISH
KRILL RESEARCH PROGRAM. THE DEPARTMENT'S CONCURRENCE AND
FURTHER GUIDANCE ARE REQUESTED ASAP.
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